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Commission on Sustainable Development acting as the preparatory committee for the World Summit on Sustainable Development
Third session
25 March-5 April 2002
Item 1 of the provisional agenda*
Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

Proposed organization of work

1. The third session of the Commission on Sustainable Development acting as the preparatory committee for the World Summit on Sustainable Development will be primarily devoted to further consideration, elaboration and negotiations on elements for decisions contained in the Chairman's paper. For that purpose, three working groups will be established to conduct the work of the session, as described below. In accordance with established practice, not more than two working groups will meet simultaneously.

2. Working Group I will focus on the first four sections of the Chairman's paper (A/CONF.199/PC/L.1, annex), namely, introduction; poverty eradication; changing unsustainable patterns of consumption and production; and protecting and managing the natural resource base for economic and social development.

3. Working Group II will focus on the next five sections of the Chairman's paper, namely, sustainable development in a globalizing world; health and sustainable development; sustainable development of small island developing States; sustainable development initiatives for Africa; and means of implementation.

4. Working Group III will focus on strengthening governance for sustainable development at the national, regional and international levels.

5. A proposed timetable for the session is contained in the annex.

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Annex

Proposed timetable

Date/time	*Agenda item/programme*	
Week of 25-29 March 2002		
Monday, 25 March		
10 a.m.-11 a.m.		Plenary
		Opening of the session
	1	Adoption of the agenda and organization of work
		Accreditation of intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations
11 a.m.-1 p.m.	2	Working Group I
		Working Group II
3-6 p.m.	2	Working Group I
		Working Group II
Tuesday, 26 March		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	2	Working Group I
		Working Group II
3-6 p.m.	2	Working Group III
Wednesday, 27 March		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	2	Working Group I and Working Group II
3-6 p.m.	2	Working Group I and Working Group II
Thursday, 28 March		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	2	Working Group I and Working Group II
3-4 p.m.	2	Plenary
4-6 p.m.	2	Working Group I
4-5 p.m.	2	Working Group II
5-6 p.m.	2	Working Group III
Friday, 29 March		
Holiday	–	*No meetings*
Week of 1-5 April 2002		
Monday, 1 April		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	2	Working Group I and Working Group II
3-6 p.m.	2	Working Group I or Working Group II and Working Group III
Tuesday, 2 April		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	2	Working Group I and Working Group II
3-6 p.m.	2	Working Group I and Working Group III
Wednesday, 3 April		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	2	Working Group I and Working Group II
3-6 p.m.	2	Working Group II and Working Group III

Date/time	*Agenda item/programme*	
Thursday, 4 April		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	2	Working Group I and Working Group III
3-6 p.m.	2	Working Group II and Working Group III
Friday, 5 April		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	2	Working Group I and Working Group II
		Plenary
3-6 p.m.	3	Other matters
	4	Adoption of the report of the Commission acting as the preparatory committee on its third session
		Closing of the session